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PAW PAW HORSES
WON THE HONORS

Matinee Last Thursday Well Attended.
"Joe Murphy" was the "King Bee" of the Day.

Last Thursday was horse day in Paw Paw, and a large crowd of interested spectators from Lawton, Mattawan and Paw Paw and vicinity was out to see the fun.

The Lawton horses carried off the honors as snow horses. Matt Murphy's "Joe Murphy" being easily the fastest one of the bunch. He won the admiration of the crowd for his fine action and gamehood. He won in straight heats from Bailey, Grimes and Fuller, who drove their own horses and took their defeat good naturedly.

The heats were alternated with another race, in which the contestants were Abbott's horse of Lawton, driven by George Rix, Ben Loft's horse driven by Rob Graham, and Burke's horse driven by the owner. The last three were local horses. But history repeated itself, and the long legged horse from Lawton made our home steppers look like a batch of "selling platers" and woe hands down.

The races were the outcome of good natured rivalry between the two towns and were pulled off without accident or mishap. The races were on Main street, and the village marshal and assistants kept the street clear during the progress of the races.

The Lawton sportsmen were on hand to back their horses, but the home talent seemed to lack confidence in the local fliers, and the outcome of the races would indicate that their judgment was well founded, as evidently the best horses won.

Come again Lawton, if we cannot win, we can demonstrate the fact that we are good losers.

AGED LADY BADLY INJURED.

Mrs. De Turk Thrown Against Barn by Cow. Sustained Bad Fracture of Limb. Is Sixty Years Old.

Mrs. De Turk, mother of Mrs. Telam on the Warbols place, met with a serious and painful accident last Friday. She went to the barn, opened the door to enter, and was thrown against the side of the building by a cow that was shut in the stable. She was badly bruised about the chest, and one of her legs broken in two places. Dr. Hoyt was called to reduce the fractures, and at this time she is getting along as well as could be expected.

Mrs. De Turk is past 60 years of age and the accident is serious for one of her age.

The cow which caused all the damage is not a vicious animal, but probably thought she was protecting her young offspring that was with her at the time.

MR. CHARLES HOME.

J. H. Charles of Kalamazoo came home last Friday and remained over Sunday with his wife, who has been in ill health for several months. Dr. H. L. Charles had charge of the store in Kalamazoo during his father's absence. Mr. Charles returned to Paw Paw again Monday night and will remain until Mrs. Charles better. Her condition is considered local. Earl Bangs will assist Mr. Burin at the store at Kalamazoo.

DANCE AT GLENDALE.

The young people of Glendale and vicinity will give a Washington's Birthday at the Modern Woodman opera at Glendale on Tuesday evening, February 22. Music by Baxter's orchestra.

GETTING READY
FOR GRAPE CROP

Enthusiastic Fruit Growers' Meeting Last Saturday. Prospects Good for Immense Crop.

A fruit growers' meeting was held at Hawley & Warner's hall last Saturday. The meeting was called by W. C. Willey, manager of the Paw Paw Fruit Growers' Union and notices were sent to all the fruit growers tributary to Paw Paw. All the various associations of the grape belt were well represented. The object of the meeting was to talk over methods for the handling of next season's grape crop and to consider prices on blue vitriol, twine and baskets. Prices were quoted on the necessities and several large orders taken. The attendance was good, the best of feeling prevailed and the meeting was of special benefit to those in attendance.

The prospects at this time are that there will be another immense grape crop the coming season. The weather has been ideal for the proper protection of the vine and unless all signs fail the 1910 grape crop will be the biggest ever in this section.

KING MAY LEAVE PAW PAW.

Rumored that Popular Photographer May Open Gallery Elsewhere. Is an Artist of Real Merit.

It is rumored that E. H. King, the photographer, will soon leave Paw Paw. When asked in regard to the same by the True Northerner, he would neither deny or affirm the rumor. He stated however, that he would continue his Paw Paw business for several weeks at least, but farther than that he would not say. Mr. King is a real artist, and without doubt the best photographer we have ever had. He has given excellent satisfaction, and it is to be hoped that he will remain here permanently. If it was generally known that he was thinking of leaving Paw Paw soon, there are probably many people who have been thinking of having their pictures taken, who would flock to his gallery to have the work done while he is here.

BIG SOAP SALE.

Attention is called in this issue to the half page advertisement of W. J. Warner. This popular grocery store is making a big soap sale. Tickets are given with orders for a quantity, and some lucky person will draw a \$5 prize on Wednesday, February 23. Read the ad on page 6 and get the full particulars of the big sale.

WILL PUBLISH NEXT WEEK.

On account of lack of space we are obliged to omit several news items this week, among them being a spicid report of the social festivities at the county infirmary on February 12 in honor of the 20th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Slover. The same will be given space in our next issue.

JOE MURPHY WON
ALL THE MONEY

Defeated the Celebrated Wartax at Lawton Tuesday. Kalamazoo Lost Heavily.

"Joe Murphy" the plucky little black pacer owned by Matt Murphy of Lawton, again demonstrated his superiority on the snow track at Lawton last Tuesday. In a matinee held at that place, he defeated "Wartax" the celebrated snow pacer of Kalamazoo. "Wartax" is said to be the fastest snow horse in Michigan, and his defeat by the Lawton horse was a surprise to his owner and friends. "Joe" was driven by his trainer, George Rix, and paced the old campaigner off his feet, winning handily in three straight heats. It is said that the Kalamazoo parties lost heavily at the race, the Lawton enthusiasts covering all the bets that were offered.

Several of the sporting fraternity from Paw Paw went over to see the fun, and are loud in their praise of the performance of the little black beauty.

NEW BUSINESS ENTERPRISE

Henry Holt and Max Benton have Opened General Job Shop on North Kalamazoo St.

Paw Paw is to have a new business enterprise. Henry Holt and Max Benton have rented the Longwell building, recently vacated by Leland Gorton, and will open a general job shop. They will do plumbing, heating, eaves troughing, roofing and all general work along those lines. Both Messrs. Holt and Benton have had years of experience along that line of work, and should do well in the enterprise. For several years they have been employed by H. C. Waters & Co. and are good workmen. They will be open ready for business next week.

CHAUTAUQUA IN FLORIDA.

The True Northerner is in receipt of a program and announcement of the Florida Chautauqua, sent by Dr. C. E. Thompson of DeFuniak Springs. The Florida Chautauqua is held at DeFuniak Springs and is known as the great winter Chautauqua of the South. It lasts nine weeks, from February 16 to April 16, equaling in length the great Mother Chautauqua of New York. The winter climate there is delightful and the surroundings and conditions ideal for an enterprise of that kind.

BOUGHT STEAM SPRAYERS.

Hon. C. J. Monroe of South Haven came to Paw Paw last Monday to investigate the Buskirk steam sprayer. An expert machinist and fruit grower, who owns ten gasoline sprayers, came with him. After an hour at the shops, the gentlemen left orders for steam sprayers.

HOME FROM U. OF M.

Carl Mosier, Wilbur Downing, Carlos Cole and Leo Prater came home from the U. of M. to spend Sunday with relatives and friends. They returned to the university town on Monday.

BRILLIANT SOCIAL FUNCTION

Junior Hop at Ann Arbor Greatest Success in History of University. Van Buren Well Represented.

Another great social event was celebrated last Friday evening at Ann Arbor, when many of the students at the U. of M. made merry at the annual ball, known as the "Junior Hop". This annual social function plays no small part in the college days of our boys and girls.

Dewey Hickey, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Hickey of Kalamazoo and Miss Brownell also of that city had the honor of leading the grand march, and Van Buren can boast of the honor of having more than half of the first ten couples in the march from among her favorite sons and daughters. The sturdy sons and beautiful daughters of Van Buren county farmers mingled with the great throng, marched and waltzed to the entrancing strains of Fischer's orchestra of Kalamazoo and Finzel's orchestra of Detroit. It was a gay and brilliant scene, and the "Junior Hop" of 1910 will be remembered as one of the greatest social events in the history of the great university.

BOOSTERS' CLUB
FOR SOUTH HAVEN

Business Men Organize to Advertise City. Will Give Away \$600 Automobile. No Knockers Allowed.

The South Haven merchants have organized a Boosters' club. At a meeting of the prominent merchants and business men last week an organization was perfected which will have for its object "the betterment of trade conditions in the city and the bringing there of trade from adjoining territory, which by rights belongs to South Haven". As a starter the club will give away a \$600 automobile. Tickets will be given with every 10 cent purchase at all the business places in the city and when a sufficient number of tickets have been distributed some lucky individual will draw the automobile.

Advertisements in the South Haven papers will tell the people about the scheme and the country adjacent thereto will be flooded with circulars. It is the intention of the South Haven Boosters' club to "boost" and make the influence felt in the business circles of the city. Live towns are beginning to realize the benefits to be derived from advertising and continual boosting. There is no place for knockers in any progressive community.

JEFF CHAFFEE IN NEW ROLE.

Is Doing Some Artistic Work in Mounting Fish Heads. Has one 18-lb. Pickerel Head Mounted.

Jeff Chaffee, the veteran fisherman of Paw Paw, is gaining considerable fame in the art of mounting fish heads. He exhibited one to the writer recently that was a beauty. It was the head of an 18-lb. pickerel, caught last winter by Robert Stuyvesant of Waverly. It is mounted with the mouth open, and placed on a beautiful burnt wood slab. Jeff is also working on a head from a 13-pound pickerel caught this winter by Will North in Fish Lake of Alpena. A head of that kind, mounted in Jeff's artistic style, is highly prized by the sportsman who is fortunate enough to land one.

WON FIRST PRIZE AT DETROIT.

Mrs. E. E. Merchant just received notice that she was winner of first prize at the big Michigan state poultry show held at Detroit Jan. 12 to 18 1910, by the Michigan State Poultry Association. The following is taken from a letter received by Mrs. Merchant from M. E. Green, secretary of the show. "As the show was especially noted for keen competition and comparatively few won anything whatever, we take pleasure in congratulating you." Mrs. Merchant was winner also of first cock at Kalamazoo about the same time.

BAKE AND RUMMAGE SALE.

The Ladies' aid of the Baptist church will hold a bake and rummage sale at the Longwell building, on North Kalamazoo street, formerly occupied by Leland Gorton as a piano store, and now by Holt & Benton as a general job store, on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, February 24, 25 and 26.

SOLD PRIZE PORKER.

Will Beeching of Waverly is entitled to the prize for the largest hog marketed during the year. Last week he sold a porker to Lawrence parties that tipped the beam at 630 pounds. It netted Mr. Beeching just \$50.40. Who says that farmers are not prosperous?

SCOTCH DAY AT COTERIE.

Next Wednesday, February 23, will be Scotch Day at the Coterie club rooms. Attorney N. H. Stewart of Kalamazoo will give a program from Robert Burns. The members are anticipating a literary treat.

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to Kalamazoo but route. It is proposed to from Benton Harbor to Keeler, Dowagiac, Deca and through Alpena to The company also intends line from Benton Harbor Indiana, via, Dowagiac and Some grading has already this line. This company build over their own way, a considerable u having already been Downer stated that the the most complete and ment, and that it was erect a fine depot and Paw Paw. Mr. Downer grants the use of Paw Paw str through the village, and that granted Mr. Plumb gives the use of Main street

Both franchises will have to be voted upon at the coming spring election, there is no question but what they both be granted. Surely no have any objection to an elect road coming through Paw Paw. Downer said that his company not wait for the election, but to work on the line as soon as lowered sufficiently to permit neers to go to work. He was Paw Paw last summer with several of the company, who went over posed line.

It is to be sincerely lines will be built. The conflict with each other, extent, as they will run thly separate sections of cou there should be ample room. Both franchises with orde for an election on the same, ar in full in this issue of the therner. Readers should scan the carefully, then hope and pray that the provisions of each may be carried out, and also render what other assistance that may be within their power for the ultimate perfection of both electric lines.

ARRANGEMENTS
FOR CHAUTAUQUA

S. M. Holladay Here Tuesday. Program Next Year will be Bigger and Better Than Last. Same Price.

Paw Paw is to have another chautauqua next summer. The one last year was something of an experiment, but was a great success from every standpoint. People have been anxiously awaiting some announcement in regard to a chautauqua for 1910. Up until this week nothing definite has been known, but it can now be stated with authority that Paw Paw will have a chautauqua next summer that will be longer, bigger and better in every way than last year.

S. M. Holladay, manager of the Midland Chautauqua Circuit, was in Paw Paw last Tuesday and made tentative arrangements for the next year's chautauqua. The program next year will include artists of a little higher class than last and will continue for nine days instead of eight. The price of tickets will be the same as last year. Nothing definite can be stated at this time in regard to